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SUBJ: CIVAIR: SOVIET INVITATION TO FAA OFFICIALS

REF: STATE 158796

1. EMBASSY REQUESTED TO PASS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE FOLLOW-  
ING LETTER FROM FAA ADMINISTRATOR BUTTERFIELD TO GENERAL  
DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OF MINISTRY  
CIVIL AVIATION, S. S. PAVLOV:

QUOTE

AUGUST 15, 1973

MR. S. S. PAVLOV

GENERAL DIRECTOR

DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

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UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS

DEAR MR. PAVLOV:

UNFORTUNATELY YOUR LETTER OF JULY 31 INVITING MEMBERS OF THE  
FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION STAFF TO VISIT MOSCOW DURING

THE WEEK OF AUGUST 6-10 WAS NOT RECEIVED IN MY OFFICE UNTIL  
THE MORNING OF AUGUST 8. IT WAS, THEREFORE, IMPOSSIBLE TO  
ACCEPT THE INVITATION DURING THAT TIME PERIOD.

YOUR KIND WORDS REGARDING THE FAA PARTICIPATION IN THE  
SOVIET-AMERICAN SYMPOSIUM LAST MONTH ARE VERY MUCH APPRE-  
CIATED. WE ALSO FEEL THAT THE SYMPOSIUM PROVIDED AN  
EXCELLENT START FOR LONG AND CLOSE COOPERATION BETWEEN OUR  
AGENCIES. WITH THIS IN MIND, I BELIEVE THAT A FOLLOW-ON  
VISIT, AS YOU HAVE SUGGESTED, WOULD BE MOST BENEFICIAL IN  
EXPLORING FURTHER AND PERHAPS MORE SPECIFICALLY YOUR  
INTERESTS IN AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL AND LANDING SYSTEMS.

IF IT IS AGREEABLE, I AM PREPARED TO ARRANGE A VISIT OF  
SEVERAL OF OUR SPECIALISTS DURING THE WEEK OF AUGUST 27-31.  
THEY WOULD BE: MR. WILLIAM FLENER, ACTING ASSOCIATE  
ADMINISTRATOR FOR OPERATIONS; MR. JOHN H. SHAFFER OF OUR  
OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL AVIATION AFFAIRS; AND MR. ALEXANDER  
B. WINICK, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF OUR SYSTEMS RESEARCH AND  
DEVELOPMENT SERVICE, WHO WILL BE REPRESENTING GENERAL  
GUSTAV LUNDQUIST.

IF THIS TIME PERIOD IS CONVENIENT TO YOU AND OTHERS ON THE  
MINISTRY STAFF, PLEASE LET ME KNOW WITHIN A DAY OR TWO --  
PREFERABLY BY RETURN CABLE -- SO THAT NECESSARY TRAVEL  
ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE.

MANY THANKS ONCE AGAIN FOR ALL OF YOUR KINDNESSES.

SINCERELY,

(SIGNED) ALEX BUTTERFIELD

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD  
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2. EMBASSY REQUESTED TO INFORM DEPARTMENT SOONEST OF  
PAVLOV'S REACTION. BUTTERFIELD LETTER BEING POUCHED.

3. FYI: FAA CONSIDERS THIS VISIT PURELY EXPLORATORY TO DETERMINE WHAT THE SOVIETS HAVE IN MIND. THE FAA REPRESENTATIVES ARE PREPARED TO CONFINE THE DISCUSSIONS TO AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL AND LANDING SYSTEMS. END FYI.

4. SHOULD MINISTRY INDICATE ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSED DATES, PLEASE ADVISE DEPARTMENT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. FAA WOULD APPRECIATE ANY ASSISTANCE WHICH PAVLOV COULD OFFER IN SECURING HOTEL RESERVATIONS AND IN NOTIFYING SOVEMB HERE TO ISSUE NECESSARY VISAS. IN VIEW OF TIME FACTOR, FAA HAS BEEN ADVISED TO BEGIN VISA APPLICATION PROCEDURE AND TO REQUEST HOTEL RESERVATIONS THROUGH INTOURIST. ROGERS

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